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Over 200 Cited For Speeding Last Week – Including Motorcyclist Cited at 100 mph

Dover – A Delaware State Police trooper cited a motorcycle operator for going 100 mph in a 55 mph zone last week. That citation was one of 235 issued last week (Sept. 29 – Oct. 5th) to speeders as part of OHS's 2008 "Stop Aggressive Driving" campaign. This brings the total number of speed citations for the first nine weeks of the initiative to 1,792. The statewide effort is coordinated by the Office of Highway Safety (OHS). Participating police agencies include Delaware State Police troops statewide, the Dover Police, the New Castle County Police and the Wilmington Police.

In addition to last week's 235 speeding citations, officers also made 2 aggressive driving arrests which require officers to spot three traffic violations in a single incident, 3 criminal arrests and issued citations for 12 seatbelt violations, and 161 for other traffic violations including individual offenses such as running red lights and stop signs, which are identified aggressive driving behaviors.

Preventing speed-related crashes and fatalities is the new focus of the "Stop Aggressive Driving" campaign, which OHS and law enforcement launched July 7th. Speeding remains second only to DUI as the leading cause of traffic deaths in Delaware according to statewide crash data.

For more information on the "Stop Aggressive Driving campaign, visit the Office of Highway Safety website at www.ohs.delaware.gov.

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